TAC Meeting Notes
January 11, 2005
6:30 p.m.

Present: Dwight Baker; Andy Bennett; Hans Brandal; John Coney; Ray Day, Jr.; John Jensen; Sandy Paul-Lyle; Holly Plackett; Anirudh Sahni; Claire Schary; Mike Taylor

Excused: Dick Burkhart

Staff: Ron Posthuma, Deputy Director for King County Department of Transportation; Peter Hurley, Executive Director, Transportation Choices; Barbara de Michele, Community Relations Planner

Guests: none

Sandy Paul-Lyle called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Legislative Agendas
Posthuma presented King County's transportation legislative priorities for 2005. These include better funding for regional transit and bus rapid transit, possible amendment of the Regional Transportation Investment District law and support for increased funding for Commute Trip Reduction programs.

Hurley continued the discussion by presenting Transportation Choices' legislative priorities. TC is a private, non-profit group supporting improved transportation alternatives. Many of TC's legislative priorities mirror those of Metro. In addition, the group strongly supports tax incentives for pilot programs, such as HOT lanes on Route 167, which can be used to demonstrate innovative technologies.

New Directions
De Michele gave a very brief report on her discussion with senior Metro staff members on possible TAC focus areas for 2005. In addition to the list assembled at the last TAC meeting, staff requested the addition of "Sound Transit, Phase II" to the list (below). These areas will be explored in depth at the TAC annual retreat.
• Marketing
• Water-borne taxi
• Possible tax increases
• Possible fare increases
• Ballot measures
• Regional Transportation Investment District (including recommendations to RTID for projects and ballot measures)
• Locating new service funding
• Improving cooperation with other agencies

Vice Chair
The group unanimously elected Mike Taylor as the vice-chair. He will serve as TAC chair in April, May and June.

Adjournment
Paul-Lyle adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.